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Sir:

Prior to consideration of this application and prior to calculation of the claim fees, please cancel claims 47-56. Applicant reserves the right to have these claims reconsidered at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,

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